GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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STOCKHOLM CONVENTION
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether India has decided to sign the Stockholm Convention which focuses on reducing and eliminating release of 12 of the most dangerous Persistence Organic Pollutants;; (

(b) if so, the details thereof; (

(c) whether the country is likely to achieve a total phase out of production of Chlorofluorocation and Carbontetrachloride by 2010 under this agreement; (

(d) if so, the details thereof; and (

(e) the details of other countries who have signed this agreement?

Answer

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of India has decided to sign the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants.

(c) & (d) Phase out of Chlorofluorocarbons and Carbontetrachloride are not covered under the Stockholm Convention.

(e) As of 5th April, 2002, 126 countries have signed the Stockholm Convention.